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## PREPAREDNESS UPDATE:

# What to Expect From Your Local Hospital's Response to Emergency Events

**Satellite Conference** 

Thursday, April 22, 2004, 12:00-1:30 p.m. (Central Time)

1:00-2:30 p.m. (Eastern Time) 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) 10:00-11:30 a.m. (Pacific Time)

mplicit in the planning for responding to incidents of weapons of mass destruction is a need for coordinated, integrated decision making. Key stakeholders must plan, practice, and modify activities that will contribute to enhanced preparedness in their communities. While hospitals should play a key role in providing care for critically ill and injured victims, their preservation as a necessary community resource is cramped by frequent overload and the potential for contamination and closure. A coordinated public health policy and practice which facilitates the role of local and regional hospital networks can be achieved by careful planning and implementation. This presentation will focus on strategies to involve hospital officials and personnel in planning and practicing for mass casualty incidents.

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#### Target Audience:

Public health professionals and their partners with whom they will need to communicate in a public health emergency.

Registration: www.adph.org/alphtn

Cost: No cost. CEU's: No CEU's for this satellite conference. Satellite Coordinates: C & Ku Band available.

Conference Materials: Posted on our website approximately one week before the program.

Questions: alphtn@adph.state.al.us or 334-206-5618.

This program will not be delivered as a live WebCast but will be available as an archived WebCast beginning Friday, April 23, 2004.

To view this webcast, visit the website: www.adph.org/alphtn